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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: Pandian et al. Art Unit: 1634
Application No.: 09/940,296 Examiner: B.J. Forman
Filed: August 27, 2001 Conf. No.: 7256
Title: METHOD OF AMPLIFICATION FOR INCREASING THE SENSITIVITY
OF DETECTING NUCLEIC ACID-PROBE TARGET HYBRIDS

Mail Stop AMENDMENT
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

TRANSMITTAL SHEET

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for the above-identified application please find:

1. Amendment in Response to the Office Action mailed August 2, 2004 (11 pages);
2. Petition for Two (2) Months Extension of Time (2 pages);
3. Information Disclosure Statement (2 pages);
4. Form PTO-1449 (3 pages);
5. Fifteen (15) U.S. Patents;
6. Twelve (12) Foreign Patents;
7. Ten (10) Other Documents;
8. Check No. 571718 in the amount of \$405.00; and
9. Return Receipt Postcard.

| CERTIFICATION UNDER 37 CFR §1.8 | |
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| I hereby certify that the documents referred to as enclosed herein are being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail on this date, December 28, 2004 , in an envelope addressed to: Mail Stop Amendment, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450. | |
| Aldon Griffis (Name of Person Mailing Paper) | |
| <i>Aldon Griffis</i> (Signature) | December 28, 2004 (Date) |

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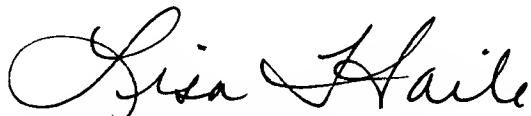
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| Total Claims | 4 | 29 | 0 | x \$25 | x \$50 | \$0.00 |
| Independent Claims | 1 | 5 | 0 | x \$100 | x \$200 | \$0.00 |
| Multiple Claims | - | - | | \$180 | \$360 | \$0.00 |
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Enclosed is Check No. 571718 in the total amount of \$405.00; which consists of \$225.00 for the Two (2) Months Extension Fee and \$180.00 for the Information Disclosure Statement Fee. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any other fees associated with the filing submitted herewith, or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 07-1896. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,



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